

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 31, 2012

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2030

Introduced by Assembly Member Olsen

February 23, 2012

An act to add Section 18934.9 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to building standards.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 2030, as amended, Olsen. Building standards: press boxes.

The California Building Standards Law provides for the adoption of building standards by state agencies by requiring all state agencies that adopt or propose adoption of any building standard to submit the building standard to the California Building Standards Commission for approval and adoption.

This bill would require the commission, *as part of the next triennial building code cycle that begins on or after January 1, 2013*, to adopt, ~~approve, and codify~~ standards for press boxes ~~in stadium bleachers~~ that require that the press boxes, as defined, are located on a route that is accessible to persons with disabilities. The bill would exempt from this requirement press boxes that are located and structured according to prescribed specifications.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 18934.9 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:

1 18934.9. (a) For purposes of this section, “press box” means
2 a space reserved for reporters, press, or other media at a stadium.

3 (b) (1) The commission, *as part of the next triennial building*
4 *code cycle that begins on or after January 1, 2013*, shall adopt;
5 ~~approve, and codify~~ standards for press boxes ~~in stadium bleachers~~
6 that require that the press boxes are located on a route that is
7 accessible to persons with disabilities.

8 (2) Standards ~~adopted, approved, and codified~~ by the
9 commission pursuant to paragraph (1) shall not apply to both of
10 the following:

11 (A) A press box in bleachers that have points of entry at only
12 one level, provided that the aggregate area of all press boxes is at
13 a maximum of 500 square feet.

14 (B) A free-standing press box that is elevated above 12 feet
15 minimum grade, provided that the aggregate area of all press boxes
16 is at a maximum of 500 square feet.

17 (3) For purposes of this subdivision, where a facility contains
18 multiple assembly areas, the aggregate area of press boxes in each
19 assembly area shall be calculated separately.